

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Backes et al. Art Unit: 1625  
Serial No.: 10/582,370  
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Confirmation No.: 2831  
For: PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF ETHERS  
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION TRANSMITTAL**

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

SIR:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. REQUIRED SUBMISSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.114.** If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- ii. ☐ Other

b. ☒ Enclosed

- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. MISCELLANEOUS**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. '1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. FEES**

The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**4. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

- ☒ Patent Practitioner Signature
- ☐ Applicant Signature

Respectfully submitted,

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